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Study is like the heav'n's glorious sun,  
That will not be deep search'd with fancy looks;  
Small have continual plodders ever won,  
Save bare authority from others' books.  
And if thou hast the mettle of a king,  
Being wrong'd as we are by this peevish town,  
Turn thou the mouth of thy artillery,  
As we will ours against these fancy walls. *Shaksp. K. John.*  
Power's first pedigree from force derives,  
And calls to mind the old prerogatives  
Of free-born man; and with a fancy eye  
Searches the heart and soul of majesty. *Denham's Sophy.*  
I lose my patience, when with fancy pride  
By untun'd ears I hear his numbers try'd. *Roscommon.*  
No fancy citizen shall dare  
To strike a soldier, nor, when struck, resent  
The wrong. *Dryden's Juvenal.*  
Homer, to express a man both timorous and fancy, makes  
use of a kind of point, namely, that he had the eyes of a dog,  
but the heart of a deer. *Addison's Spectator.*  
To SAVE. *v. a.* [*saver, faulver, French; salvo, Latin.*]  
1. To preserve from danger or destruction.  
Let me die ere men can say God save the queen. *Shaksp.*  
One shall cry, yet cannot he answer, nor save him out of  
his trouble. *Jf. xlvii. 7.*  
A wond'rous ark,  
To save himself and household from amidst  
A world devote to universal wreck. *Milton.*  
We may be confident whatever he does is intended for our  
good, and whatever we interpret otherwise we can get nothing  
by repining, nor save any thing by resisting. *Temple.*  
The circling streams, once thought but pools of blood,  
From dark oblivion Harvey's name shall save. *Dryden.*  
2. To preserve finally from eternal death.  
Whatever we read in Scripture concerning the endless  
love and saving mercy which God sheweth towards his church,  
the only proper subject thereof is this church. *Hooker.*  
There are some that will be saved, and some that will be  
damned. *Shakspere.*  
We are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but  
of them that believe, to the saving of the soul. *Heb. x. 39.*  
His merits save them. *Milton.*  
He who feareth God, and worketh righteousness, and per-  
severes in the faith and duties of our religion, shall certainly  
be saved. *Rogers.*  
3. Not to spend; to hinder from being spent.  
With your cost you terminate the cause,  
And save th' expense of long litigious laws,  
Where suits are travers'd, and so little won,  
That he who conquers is but last undone. *Dryden.*  
4. To reserve or lay by.  
He shall not feel quietness, he shall not save of that which  
he desired. *Job xx. 20.*  
5. To spare; to excuse.  
Will you not speak to save a lady's blush? *Dryden.*  
Our author saves me the comparison with tragedy. *Dryd.*  
These finews are not so much unstrung,  
To fail me when my master should be serv'd;  
And when they are, then will I steal to death,  
Silent and unobserv'd, to save his tears. *Dryd. Don Sebast.*  
6. To save; to reconcile.  
How build, unbuild, contrive  
To save appearances; how gird the sphere  
With centrick and eccentric. *Milton's Parad. Lost.*  
7. To take or embrace opportunely, so as not to lose.  
The same persons, who were chief confidants to Cromwell,  
foreseeing a restoration, seized the castles in Ireland, just saving  
the tide, and putting in a stock of merit sufficient. *Swift.*  
To SAVE. *v. m.* To be cheap.  
Bless'd ordinance saveth in the quantity of the material, and  
in the charge of mounting and carriage. *Bacon's Phys. Rem.*  
SAVE. *adv.* [This word, adverbially used, is, like *except*, origi-  
nally the imperative of the verb.] Except; not including.  
But being all defeated, save a few,  
Rather than fly, or be captiv'd, herself she flew. *Fa. 2y.*  
All the conspirators, save only he,  
Did that they did in envy of great Caesar. *Shaksp.*  
He never put down a near servant, save only Stanley, the  
lord chamberlain. *Bacon's Henry VII.*  
How have I then with whom to hold converse,  
Save with the creatures which I made? *Milton.*  
SA'VEALL. *n. f.* [*save and all.*] A small pan insert'd into a  
candlestick to save the ends of candles.  
SA'VEY. *n. f.* [*from save.*]  
1. Preserver; rescuer.  
They were manifoldly acknowledged the savers of that  
country. *Sidney.*  
2. One who escapes loss, though without gain.  
Laws of arms permit each injur'd man  
To make himself a savor where he can. *Dryden.*  
Who dares affirm this is no pious age,  
When charity begins to tread the stage?

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When actors, who at best are hardly savers,  
Will give a night of benefit to weavers? *Swift.*  
3. A good husband.  
4. One who lays up and grows rich.  
By nature far from profusion, and yet a greater spender than  
a savor; for though he had such means to accumulate, yet his  
garisons and his sealings soaked his exchequer. *Wotton.*  
SA'VIN. *n. f.* [*fabina, Latin; savin, sabin, Fr.*] A tree.  
It hath compact, rigid, and prickly ever-green leaves: the  
fruit is small, spherical, and warted; and the whole plant has  
a very rank strong smell. The species are three, and com-  
monly cultivated for medicinal use. *Miller.*  
SA'VING. *adj.* [*from save.*]  
1. Frugal; parsimonious; not lavish.  
She loved money; for she was saving, and applied her for-  
tune to pay John's clamorous debts. *Arbutnot. Hist. of J. Bull.*  
Be saving of your candle. *Swift.*  
2. Not turning to loss, though not gainful.  
Silvio, finding his application unsuccessful, was resolved to  
make a saving bargain; and since he could not get the widow's  
estate, to recover what he had laid out of his own. *Addison.*  
SA'VING. *adv.* [This is nothing more than a participle of the  
verb *save* adverbially used.] With exception in favour of.  
All this world's glory seemeth vain,  
And all their shows but shadows, saving thee. *Spenser.*  
Such laws cannot be abrogated, saving only by whom they  
were made; because the intent of them being known unto  
none but the author, he alone can judge how long it is re-  
quisite they should endure. *Hooker.*  
Saving the reverence due to so great a man, I doubt not but  
they did all creep out of their holes. *Ray on the Creation.*  
SA'VING. *n. f.* [*from save.*]  
1. Escape of expense; somewhat preserved from being spent.  
It is a great saving in all such lights, if they can be made  
as fair and right as others, and yet last longer. *Bacon.*  
By reducing interest to four per cent, there was a consider-  
able saving to the nation; but this year they give six. *Addison.*  
2. Exception in favour.  
Content not with those that are too strong for us, but still  
with a saving to honesty; for integrity must be supported  
against all violence. *L'Estrange.*  
SA'VINGLY. *adv.* [*from saving.*] With parcimony.  
SA'VINGNESS. *n. f.* [*from saving.*]  
1. Parcimony; frugality.  
2. Tendency to promote eternal salvation.  
SA'VIOUR. *n. f.* [*saviour, Latin.*] Redeemer; he that has  
saved mankind from eternal death.  
So judg'd he man, both judge and saviour sent. *Milton.*  
However consonant to reason his precepts appeared, no-  
thing could have tempted men to acknowledge him as their  
God and saviour, but their being firmly persuaded of the mi-  
racles he wrought. *Addison.*  
To SA'VINTER. *v. n.* [*aller à la sainte terre, from idle people who  
roved about the country, and asked charity under pretence of  
going to la sainte terre, to the holy land; or savi terre, as  
having no settled home.*] To wander about idly; to  
loiter; to linger.  
The cormorant is still sauntering by the sea-side, to see if he  
can find any of his bras cast up. *L'Estrange.*  
Tell me, why saunt'ring thus from place to place  
I meet thee? *Dryden's Juvenal.*  
Though putting the mind upon an unusual stress that may  
discourage, ought to be avoided; yet this must not run it into  
a lazy sauntering about ordinary things. *Lake.*  
Yourself look after him, to cure his sauntering at his bul-  
nests. *Lake.*  
If men were weaned from their sauntering humour, wherein  
they let a good part of their lives run uselessly away, they  
would acquire skill in hundreds of things. *Lake.*  
So the young 'quire, when first he comes  
From country school to Will's or Tom's,  
Without one notion of his own,  
He saunters wildly up and down. *Prior.*  
The brainless stripling  
Spells uncouth Latin, and pretends to Greek;  
A saunt'ring tribe! such born to wide estates,  
With yea and no in senates hold debates. *Tidd.*  
Here saunt'ring 'prentices o'er Otway weep.  
Led by my hand, he saunter'd Europe round,  
And gather'd ev'ry vice. *Dunciad.*  
SA'VORY. *n. f.* [*savorie, French; satureia, Latin.*] A plant.  
It is of the verticillate kind, with a labiate flower, whose  
upper lip or crest is divided into two parts; but the lower lip  
or beard is divided into three parts, the middle part being cre-  
nated: these flowers are produced from the wings of the leaves  
in a loose order, and not in whorles or spikes, as are most of  
this tribe of plants. *Miller.*  
SA'VOUR. *n. f.* [*savour, French.*]  
1. A scent; odour.  
What savour is better, if physick be true,  
For places infected, than wormwood and rue? *Tyfler.*  
Benzo calls its smell a tartarous and hellish savour. *Turn.*

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Turn then my freshest reputation to  
A favour that may strike the dullest nostril? *Shakspere.*  
I smell sweet favours, and I feel soft things. *Shaksp.*  
That Jews stink naturally, that is, that there is in their  
race an evil favour, is a received opinion we know not how  
to admit. *Brown's Vulgar Errors.*  
Truffles, which have an excellent oil, and a volatile salt of  
a grateful favour, are heating. *Arbutnot on Diet.*  
2. Taste; power of affecting the palate.  
I taste  
The favour of death from all things. *Milton.*  
A direct influence from the sun gives fruit a better favour  
and a greater worth. *South.*  
To SA'VOUR. *v. n.* [*savourer, Fr. from the noun.*]  
1. To have any particular smell or taste.  
2. To betoken; to have an appearance or taste of something.  
This ripping of ancestors is very pleasing, and savoureth of  
good conceit and some reading. *Spenser on Ireland.*  
The duke's answers to his attachments are very diligently  
and civilly couched; and though his heart was big, yet they all  
favour of an humble spirit. *Wotton.*  
If 'twere a secret that concern'd my life,  
This boldness might become thee;  
But such unnecessary rudeness favours  
Of some design. *Denham's Sophy.*  
I have rejected every thing that favours of party. *Addison.*  
To SA'VOUR. *v. a.*  
1. To like.  
Wisdom and goodness to the vile seem vile;  
Filths favour but themselves. *Shakspere.*  
2. To exhibit taste of.  
Thou savour'st not the things that be of God. *Gospel.*  
That favours only of rancour and pride. *Milton.*  
SA'VOURILY. *adv.* [*from savoury.*]  
1. With gust; with appetite.  
The collation he fell to very savourily. *L'Estrange's Fables.*  
This must be some English renegade, he talks so savourily  
of toasting. *Dryd. Don Sebastian.*  
2. With a pleasing relish.  
There's a dearth of wit in this dull town,  
When silly plays go savourily go down. *Dryden.*  
SA'VOURINESS. *n. f.* [*from savoury.*]  
1. Taste pleasing and piquant.  
2. Pleasing smell.  
SA'VOURY. *adj.* [*savouroux, Fr. from favour.*]  
1. Pleading to the smell.  
The pleasant savoury smell  
So quicken'd appetite, that I  
Could not but taste! *Milton's Paradise Lost.*  
From the boughs a savoury odour blown,  
Grateful to appetite! more pleas'd my sense  
Than smell of sweetest fennel, or the teats  
Of ewe, or goat, dropping with milk at ev'n. *Milton.*  
2. Piquant to the taste.  
Savoury meat, such as my father loveth.  
The savoury pulp they chew. *Gen.*  
SA'VOY. *n. f.* [*brassica subarctica, Latin.*] A sort of colwort.  
SA'USAGE. *n. f.* [*sauisse, French; salsum, Latin.*] A roll or  
ball made commonly of pork or veal, and sometimes of beef,  
minced very small, with salt and spice; sometimes it is stuffed  
into the guts of fowls, and sometimes only rolled in flower.  
SAW. The preterite of *see*.  
I never saw 'till now  
Sight more detestable. *Milton.*  
SAW. *n. f.* [*sawe, Danish; raga, or rige, Saxon; seie, Fr.*]  
1. A dentated instrument, by the attrition of which wood or  
metal is cut.  
The teeth are filed to an angle, pointing towards the end of  
the saw, and not towards the handle of the saw, or straight  
between the handle and end; because the saw is designed to  
act only in its progress forwards, a man having in that more  
strength than he can have in drawing back his saw, and there-  
fore when he draws it back, he bears it lightly off the unfawn  
stuff, which enables him the longer to continue his several  
progressions of the saw. *Moxon's Mech. Exer.*  
The roach is a leather-mouth'd fish, and has saw like teeth  
in his throat. *Walton's Angler.*  
Then saws were tooth'd, and founding axes made. *Dryd.*  
If they cannot cut,  
His saws are toothless, and his hatchets lead. *Pope.*  
2. [Saxo, Sax. *sægebe, Dut.*] A saying; a sentence; a proverb.  
Good king, that must approve the common saw:  
Thou out of heaven's benediction com'st  
To the warm sun! *Shakspere's King Lear.*  
From the table of my memory  
I'll wipe away all saws of books. *Shaksp. Hamlet.*  
His weapons, holy saws of sacred writ;  
His study in his tilt-yard. *Shaksp. Henry VI.*  
Strict age and four severity,  
With their grave saws in slumber lie. *Milton.*  
To SAW. part. *sawed and sawn.* [*scier, French; from the noun.*]  
To cut timber or other matter with a saw.  
They were stoned, they were sawn afunder. *Heb. xi. 37.*

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A carpenter, after he hath sawn down a tree, and wrought  
it handiely, sets it in a wall. *Wisd. xiii. 11.*  
It is an incalency, from a swift motion, such as that of  
running, threshing, or sawing. *Ray on the Creation.*  
If I cut my finger, I shall as certainly feel pain as if my soul  
was co-extended with the limb, and had a piece of it sawn  
through. *Collier.*  
Master-workmen, when they direct any of their underlings  
to saw a piece of stuff, have several phrases for the sawing of  
it: they seldom say, saw the piece of stuff; but, draw the saw  
through it; give the piece of stuff a kerf. *Moxon.*  
It is the carpenter's work to hew the timber, saw it out, and  
frame it. *Mortimer.*  
SA'WDUST. *n. f.* [*saw and dust.*] Dust made by the attrition  
of the saw.  
If the membrane be fouled by the sawdust of the bone,  
wipe it off with a sponge. *Wifeman's Surgery.*  
Rotten sawdust, mixed with earth, enriches it very much. *Mortimer's Husbandry.*  
SA'WFISH. *n. f.* [*saw and fish.*] A sort of fish. *Aislin.*  
SA'WPLIT. *n. f.* [*saw and pit.*] Pit over which timber is laid  
to be sawn by two men.  
Let them from forth a sawpit rush at once  
With some diffused song. *Shaksp. Merry Wives of Windsor.*  
They colour it by laying it in a sawpit that hath oak saw-  
dust therein. *Mortimer's Husbandry.*  
SAW-WORT. *n. f.* [*serrotula, Latin.*] A plant.  
It hath a stoculous flower, consisting of several florets di-  
vided into many parts, resting on the embryo, and contained  
in a scaly empalement, like the greater centaury, from which  
this differs in having smaller heads, and from the knapweed in  
having the borders of the leaves cut into small sharp segments,  
resembling the teeth of a saw. *Miller.*  
SAW-WREST. *n. f.* [*saw and wrest.*] A sort of tool.  
With the saw-wrest they set the teeth of the saw; that is,  
they put one of the notches of the wrest between the first two  
teeth on the blade of the saw, and then turn the handle hori-  
zontally a little about upon the notch towards the end of the  
saw; and that at once turns the first tooth somewhat towards  
you, and the second tooth from you. *Moxon's Mech. Exer.*  
SA'WER. *n. f.* [*scieur, French; from saw.*] One whose trade  
SA'WYER. } is to saw timber into boards or beams.  
The pit-saw is used by joiners, when what they have to do  
may be as soon done at home as send it to the sawyers. *Moxon.*  
SA'XIFRAGE. *n. f.* [*saxifraga, Fr. saxifraga, Lat.*] A plant.  
The flower consists of several leaves placed orbicularly,  
which expand in form of a rose, out of whose multifid flower-  
cup rises the pointal, which commonly ends in two horns, and  
afterward turns, together with the flower-cup, into a roundish  
fruit, which has likewise two horns and two cells, which are  
full of small seeds. *Miller.*  
Saxifrage, quasi saxum frangens, to break the stone, is ap-  
plicable to any thing having this property; but is a term most  
commonly given to a plant, from an opinion of its medicinal  
virtues to this effect. *Quincy.*  
SA'XIFRAGE Meadow. *n. f.* [*silamum, Latin.*] A plant.  
It hath a rose and umbellated flower, consisting of several  
leaves placed circularly, and resting upon the empalement,  
which afterward becomes a fruit composed of two short chan-  
nelled seeds. *Quincy.*  
SA'XIFRAGOUS. *adj.* [*saxum and frago, Latin.*] Dissolvent of  
the stone.  
Because goat's blood was found an excellent medicine for the  
stone, it might be conceived to be able to break a diamond; and  
so it came to be ordered that the goats should be fed on saxi-  
fragous herbs, and such as are conceived of power to break  
the stone. *Brown's Vulgar Errors.*  
To SAY. *v. a.* preter. *said.* [*recgan, Saxon; seggen, Dutch.*]  
1. To speak; to utter in words; to tell.  
Say it out, Diggon, for whatever it might;  
For nought but well mought him betight,  
He is so meek. *Spenser.*  
In this slumby agitation what have you heard her say? *Shak.*  
Speak unto Solomon; for he will not say thee nay. *1 Kings.*  
2. To allege.  
After all can be said against a thing, this will still be true,  
that many things possibly are, which we know not of. *Tillot.*  
In vain shall we attempt to justify ourselves, as the rich  
young man in the gospel did, by appealing to the great duties  
of the law; unless we can say somewhat more, even that  
we have been liberal in our distributions to the poor. *Atterbury.*  
3. To tell in any manner.  
With flying speed, and seeming great pretence,  
Came messenger with letters which his message said. *F. 2y.*  
To SAY. *v. n.*  
1. To speak; to pronounce; to utter.  
He said moreover, I have somewhat to say unto thee; and  
the said, say on. *1 Kings ii. 14.*  
Say nothing to any man, but go thy way. *Mar. i. 44.*  
To the others he said, go ye after him. *Ezek. ix. 5.*  
The council-table and star-chamber hold, as Thucydides  
said of the Athenians, for honourable that which pleased, and  
for just that which profited. *Clarendon.*  
The